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Rose Grysdale has lived with her husband just south of Highway 567 east of Airdrie for more than three decades. She worries about noise pollution and traffic levels should plans for a motorsports park in the area get the green light. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Residents surprised to learn of racing plans

Early projections. Development could provide millions in tax revenue to Rocky View County, investors say



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Motorsports enthusiasts may be revved up about the prospects of a new racing facility east of Airdrie, but some residents living near the proposed site are pumping the brakes.

Metro first reported Wednesday that the Motorsports, Arts Culture and Sports Group (MARCS) has partnered with

Calgary Aviation Land Corporation to pitch a \$27-million development, known as Rockyview Motorsports Park, on a plot five to 10 kilometres east of Airdrie and just north of Highway 567.

But residents along the highway said Thursday they had yet to hear of the proposal and some worried it would ruin their quiet country lifestyle.

"There goes the neighbourhood," said Rose Grysdale, who moved to her current 20-acre plot more than 30 years ago. "This area is already getting busy as it is ... it's very concerning."

Those being asked to invest in the motorsports park, which would replace the now-closed

Race City venue in Calgary, indicated the facility could be profitable in its second year of operation and provide millions in tax revenue to Rocky View County.

Planners hope to have the track installed by mid-2014 and future plans could see an executive airport and other industrial and retail sites established in the area, sources said.

Ryan Judson, who moved to a four-acre lot just off Highway 567 late last year, thinks the park could do wonders for his land value and area businesses.

"I have been involved in (racing) in the past," he said. "As long as it's in the right spot and not some big, unruly development I think it could be a great addition to the community."

Mayor's comment

Airdrie Mayor Peter Brown said he doesn't believe the proposed Rockyview Motorsports Park would be much of a nuisance for residents in his city, but added he needs more information about the project.

A representative with the Motorsports, Arts Culture and Sports Group was reached via email Thursday but said all members would not be commenting until a news conference scheduled for Monday.

\$30 more per year

Insurance board OK's 5% hike for auto rates

Alberta's insurance rate board says it will allow companies to hike automobile insurance rates by five per cent.

The Automobile Insurance Rate Board says insurance companies have the option to implement all or part of the increase over the next three years.

The rate hike, which applies only to the mandatory part of coverage, is effective Nov. 1.

The board says a boost in injury frequency and property damage collisions, combined with a drop in revenue generated by investments made on premium income, were the key factors behind it allowing the increase.

Board chairman Alfred Savage says the increase works out to an average hike of \$30 per year.

"We knew that an increase would be necessary, but we wanted to take a more measured approach in order to maintain balance in the system," Savage said in a release.

The board says this is the first increase since 2008.

NDP MLA David Eggen said Thursday that an increase to mandatory insurance rates in Alberta will be costly for Alberta families.

"These insurance companies have been losing in the stock market, and I don't understand why Albertans should foot the bill for this," Eggen said in a news release.

"Insurance rates in Alberta are already among the highest in the country, and now we're expecting them to increase for the next couple of years."

The NDP believes that Albertans would be better served by a provincial insurance plan that would regulate costs and save money for drivers.

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Calgary police, border services uncover government ID scam

Bootleg. Police say fake cards coming into Canada are bound for underage drinkers

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Calgary Police Economic Crimes Unit and Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) have joined forces to scuttle a planned courier shipment of fraudulent government identity cards bound for Calgary.

Shipments of fake drivers' licences, credit cards and other identification cards are being shipped into Canada disguised as gifts, say police.

"Many criminals will use fake identities in order to commit various forms of theft, fraud or other crimes," said Det. Dean Nichol, of the CPS Economic Crimes Unit.

"Utilizing a fake identification in order to obtain entry into a drinking establishment or to operate a motor vehicle is more serious than many people realize."

Package inspections

- CBSA say they inspect about 20 to 30 per cent of courier packages crossing the border into Canada.
- It's illegal (without a lawful excuse) to make, possess, transfer, sell or offer for sale an identity document.

Many of the seized items were fake drivers' licences intended for youths. Nichol warns that anyone ordering such products online is giving personal information to strangers overseas who could in turn use it for identity theft. "People need to be aware of the dangers," said Nichol.

There is no link to a particular courier service this items are entering the country though and many of the illegal items have been shipped from China.

"When these items are discovered, both the CBSA and police will investigate and take action," said Nichol.



Celine Bourgois, acting chief of Commercial Operation with CBSA in Calgary, and Det. Dean Nichol with CPS Organized Crime Fraud Investigations, speak to the media Thursday about the number of fraudulent documents intercepted at the border coming in through courier shipments. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

Calgary prime spot for bike stations, says co-ordinator



President of Bike Calgary Brent Clark said secure bike parking in the downtown core is hard to come by and cyclists would likely welcome a bike station. METRO FILE

With many cyclists struggling to find secure bike parking in Calgary's downtown core, the city's cycling co-ordinator said bike stations might be the solution.

Tom Thivener said that such facilities can house elements like secure parking, showers, bike rental facilities and possibly a tune up shop.

"Having central places whether they're publicly run, privately run or a combination public-private partnership, it's a dedicated facility where you can pull

up, park your bike, safe and secure," said Thivener. "It's very, very popular."

Cycling advocate and president of Bike Calgary Brent Clark said parking in the city's downtown core is limited so a bike station would likely go over well.

"I think there's a demand for secure parking, for sure," said Clark. "I think a lot of people parking outside would appreciate the option and if it's in the right spot, it would get used."

Ald. Druh Farrell, who has advocated in the past

for the city to adopt a bike share, said bike stations are aligned with that concept. "I believe that there is a need," she said. "Location would be very important."

Thivener, who came to Calgary from Arizona, pointed to cities such as Tempe, Ariz., which has a bike station located near Arizona State University.

"It's a great facility to have, especially in urban areas," he said. "For a modern city, I'm surprised (Calgary) doesn't have one yet."

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Cycling strategy

- The city's long-term cycling strategy states plans to "develop strategies for implementing bicycle stations in Calgary."
- The City of Chicago has a bike station called the McDonald's Cycle Center, which provides parking, showers and lockers, bicycle repair and bike rentals to members.



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PLEASE SIR, MAY I HAVE YOUR PLATE? NOT MINE, THIS YEAR.



IN DEFENCE OF
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This weekend, thousands of Calgarians and their families will be swarming Prince's Island Park to enjoy the sweet sounds of this year's practically sold-out Calgary Folk Music Festival. On top of attracting world-class music and dozens of vendors with fantastic finds, the festival is also remarkably responsible when it comes to their green efforts. With several programs set in place, like prohibiting the sale of water bottles, the Folk Fest leaves as little impact on the beautiful park as possible.

Another one of these programs has Folkies paying a \$2 deposit when purchasing their food, and when you're finished

you can then return the plate and get your \$2 back.

If you've ever been to the festival, you know that usually before you get a chance to return your plate, a nice-looking child will offer to take the plate for you. Agreeing means they get to keep your \$2.

Feeling robbed at Folk Fest

As you can imagine, I was shocked. Here I was at this incredibly earth-friendly event, thinking my money was going to a local charity, like the sport teams that sell 50/50 tickets at Flames games, but as it turns out these kids are really no different than the ones featured in Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*.

was going to a local charity, like the sport teams that sell 50/50 tickets at Flames games, but as it turns out these kids are really no different than the ones featured in Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*.

With the festival celebrating "community," it feels odd to see people's children pocketing so much money. Maybe if the kids told me they were doing it so they could go to band camp or buy books for their school, I'd feel better about it. But for them to just swoop in, pick up my plate and cash it in — sometimes even before I've had a chance to finish my Ship burger — leaves me, well, with a bad taste in my mouth.

Before you say that at least they are taking initiative, I don't think grabbing plates is initiative. Sure, it's clever, but what happened to selling lemonade, delivering newspapers or babysitting? Now those are good jobs for kids. Taking advantage of the generosity of strangers enjoying the beer gardens is definitely not cute or interesting.

This weekend, I'll be holding on to my plate, because I'd much rather my \$2 go to a non-profit like the Folk Fest, then to a sneaky child looking to make some quick cash.

Mike Morrison is the perfectly bald head behind Mike's Bloggity Blog. He also tweets regularly from @mikesbloggity.



Grant Farhall, along with friends Jeff Bray and David Epstein, have taken on what they call Burger Quest — a mission to review every burger in Calgary.

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Three friends seek Calgary's best burger

Leave no meat-patty behind. Calgary pals say it could take a decade to accomplish their quest to eat every burger in the city



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After six months of eating burgers across the city, three Calgary guys say they haven't even taken a proverbial bite out of the meat-patty poten-

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"It takes a bit of a commitment and an iron gut."

Grant Farhall, on Burger Quest

tial in the city.

Burger Quest was initially launched at the beginning of the year when three friends, all of whom thought they knew the best burger in the city, decided to put their favourite eateries to the test.

"Once you start talking with someone about a burger, the first thing they'll tell you is they know where the best burger is," said Jeff Bray,

the quester who goes by the name Wunder Bun on the group's website.

Well over 20 reviews in, Grant Farhall, also known as White Gravy, said they haven't even put a dent in all the burger joints in Calgary.

"We want to eat every burger in Calgary," said Farhall. "It could take 10 years or more."

Joked Bray: "There could

be some health concerns that could stop us."

Ultimately, Burger Quest is aiming to be the guide to all things with a patty and a bun in Calgary.

"We want to have the definitive list so if someone in Calgary wants to know, where is the best burger, they can come to our site," said Farhall. "It takes a bit of a commitment and an iron gut."

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Police caution young girls against stripper recruitment

Police are warning the stripper lifestyle is not all it's cracked up to be after a national adult entertainment group suggested it would recruit at high schools across Canada, including those in Calgary.

Staff Sgt. Robert Rutledge

said is his more than two decades of experience he has interviewed hundreds, if not thousands of strippers, and many progress into sex trade work.

As well, he's found strippers are often victims of abuse and many have the

tendency to struggle with drug and alcohol addiction.

"They figure if they are in a room dancing without their clothes on in front of a bunch of strangers, that (the sex trade) is just the next step," Rutledge said.

The Adult Entertainment

Association of Canada has indicated the need to recruit hundreds of part-time strippers in Calgary alone after the federal government announced it would discontinue issuing temporary visas or extensions to exotic dancers from other

countries.

In an interview earlier this week, association head Tim Lambrinos said girls ages 18-19 would be targeted in high schools, colleges and universities in the months ahead.

He also took issue with

assertions of links between his workers and the sex trade.

"Sex is prohibited in a strip club ... if you're talking about escorts and things like that, that's another story," Lambrinos said.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Capsized boater should not have been in water: RCMP

Water too high.

'They didn't have the experience ... to be out there at all': Mountie

A Mountie involved in rescuing tourists who were canoeing in rain-soaked northern Alberta says river conditions were so rough that the guides who took them should never have set off in the first place.

But the owner of the tour company says the water rose so suddenly that the situation couldn't have been avoided.

"The water was too high for this group, but the water came up so fast we couldn't get them off the river fast enough," said Mike Kunhert, owner of Timberwolf Tours based in Spruce Grove, Alta.

RCMP responded Wednesday to a GPS emergency distress signal from the group, which had 10 travellers in five separate canoes on the Athabasca River

north of Hinton.

Police say one person was stranded on an island and two more had been washed ashore about a kilometre downstream from their group after two of the canoes capsized.

Mounties using an Alberta Fish and Wildlife jet boat managed to rescue the tourists.

Cpl. Dan Kooznetsoff, who was in the jet boat, said there were two guides in the group. Most of the tourists were from Germany. One was from Japan and another was from Britain.

"They didn't have the experience, the capabilities to be out there at all," said Kooznetsoff.

"They're extremely lucky. I couldn't stress that enough, how lucky these people are that no one was seriously hurt or killed."

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Calgary Stampeder Jon Cornish, from left, James McAra, with the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank Society, Denis Legault and Jason Edwards with Purolator, celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Purolator Tackle Hunger program in Calgary. The Tackle Hunger food drive takes place this Saturday at the Stampeder game versus the B.C. Lions. There will be a food collection at all gates.

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Reynolds. Ex-CFL star appears in court on domestic violence charges

A former star player with the CFL's Calgary Stampeders made a brief court appearance Thursday on alleged domestic dispute charges and is now facing a third criminal charge.

Joffrey Reynolds was arrested July 14 and charged with assault causing bodily harm and breaking-and-entering with intent against a former girlfriend.

Court was told that Reynolds, 32, is now facing an additional count of common assault.

Reynolds was given until Aug. 16 to retain a lawyer and remains free on \$3,000 bail, along with conditions which includes not contacting his alleged victim.

"No comment at all," said Reynolds as he left the courthouse, surrounded by a bevy of TV cameras and photographers.

Reynolds is from Tyler, Texas and played college football at the University of Houston.

He played eight years for



Former Calgary Stampeders running back Joffrey Reynolds. METRO FILE

the Stampeders and was the team's all-time leading rusher with 9,213 rushing yards. He's a four-time CFL all-star and was a key player in Calgary's 2008 Grey Cup win.

He was released from the club last year but wasn't picked up by any other team.

Reynolds was arrested by Canada Immigration Services shortly after being granted bail because his work permit had expired. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Washington liaison

Bronco's envoy stint ending

Reports indicate former Calgary mayor Dave Bronconnier has ended his stint as Alberta's Washington envoy.

Premier Alison Redford appointed Bronconnier to the post last November, despite his criticism of the provincial Tories during his time at the head of Calgary's city council.

It was not clear Thursday what impact Bronconnier had on negotiations with the U.S. over key Alberta projects like the Keystone XL pipeline. **METRO**

After the raid

Four face charges in coke-ring bust

Four people were formally charged after police busted a million-dollar coke ring Wednesday.

Over \$1 million in cocaine and \$126,119 in cash, body armour and vehicles were seized by police in the series of raids.

Bryan Andrew Wynne, 35, Daryn William Wynne, 33, Donna Tran, 31, and Bao Quoc Mai, 31 are charged with 19 drug-related offences, and face charges related to having property obtained by crime. **METRO**

Alberta corn maze may set world record for largest QR code

Scan that! Kraay Family Farm's popular corn maze goes high-tech this summer



KATIE TURNER
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From the ground, the Lacombe Corn Maze may look like any other field, but an aerial view shows the roughly 15-acre span is a little more high-tech.

Every year, Kraay Family Farm, operated by Rachel Kraay, her husband and his parents, looks to find a new design for their popular corn maze.

"This is our 13th year of losing people," joked Kraay.

"You see those QR codes all over the place and we were kind of struggling with what to do this year. I saw one and thought, 'That kind of looks like a maze — I wonder if we could make it into a maze?'"

After planting the crop at the end of May and cutting

Field of dreams

- While the entire corn maze is approximately 15 acres, the QR code itself is just over 7 acres, or 310,000 square feet.
- Roughly 25,000 people visit the Lacombe Corn Maze every year.



An aerial shot of the Lacombe Corn Maze shows a 7-acre QR code. The Kraay Family Farm is waiting for Guinness World Records to make a ruling on whether it is the largest QR code in the world. CONTRIBUTED

out the design in June, Kraay Family Farm is now home to what they're hoping will be the world's largest functioning QR code.

Kraay said they took a helicopter up on Monday, scanned the code on a smartphone from 1,400 feet in the air and

were directed to their website, kraayfamilyfarm.com.

All the evidence has been submitted and Kraay said the farm is waiting for the final word from Guinness World Records officials.

As for how they'll top this year's design?

"We don't think about it until next winter," Kraay said with a laugh.

The Kraay Family Farm opens for the summer on July 27.

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Shooting victims with no insurance face big medical bills

Colorado. Unknown number of the injured still face a long recovery and the associated costs

Some of the victims fighting for their lives after being wounded in last week's Colorado theatre rampage may face enormous medical bills without the benefit of health insurance.

The U.S. doesn't have universal health coverage, though hospitals are required by federal law to stabilize patients during emergencies without regard to their ability to pay.

The Obama administration's health-care overhaul would cover millions more uninsured, but Republicans strongly object to its cost.

Members of the public have contributed nearly \$2 million US to help victims, including the Warner Bros. studio that released the Batman movie that was showing when the gunman opened fire. But it's not clear how much of that money will cover medical expenses.

One victim's family is already raising money online. And three of the five hospitals treating victims said Wednesday they will limit or completely wipe out medical bills.

An unknown number of the victims, however, still face a long recovery and the associated medical costs without health insurance.



Bonnie Kate Pourciau, 18, a victim of the Aurora theatre shooting, speaks from her hospital bed Wednesday, alongside her mother, Kathleen, and father, Trace. ANDY CROSS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nearly one in three Coloradans, or about 1.5 million, either have no health insurance or have coverage that is inadequate, according to a 2011 report by The Colorado Trust, a health-care advocacy group.

The highest uninsured rate is among adults between 18 and 34. Many victims are in that age group.

Among the uninsured victims is a 23-year-old aspiring comic Caleb Medley, who is in critical condition with a head wound. His wife, Katie, gave birth to their first child on Tuesday.

His family and friends said they have set a goal of raising \$500,000 to cover his hospital bills and other expenses and were more than

halfway there Wednesday.

Children's Hospital Colorado announced it would use donations and its charity care fund to cover the medical expenses of the uninsured.

"We are committed to supporting these families as they heal," according to a statement from the hospital, which treated six shooting victims.

Quoted

"Many of these people, I assume, will need prolonged and expensive rehabilitation after their immediate injuries are dealt with, and that seems precisely what hospitals today are less and less willing to cover out of their own funds."

Dr. Howard Brody, director of the Institute for Medical Humanities at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston

HealthOne, which owns the Medical Center of Aurora and Swedish Medical Center, also says it will limit or eliminate charges based on patients' individual circumstances. Those hospitals have treated 22 shooting victims. However, the company cautioned its policy may not apply to all doctors working in its hospitals.

The other two hospitals, Denver Health Medical Center and University of Colorado Hospital, where Medley is, wouldn't say whether they would assist shooting victims. However, they provided a combined \$750 million in free care in 2011.

The key issue is what comes after the current hospital care, said Dr. Howard Brody, director of the Institute for the Medical Humanities at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and a frequent critic of excessive medical costs.

"Many of these people, I assume, will need prolonged and expensive rehabilitation after their immediate injuries are dealt with, and that seems precisely what hospitals today are less and less willing to cover out of their own funds, and no law requires that they do so, as far as I am aware," he said.

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Unsettling connection

Gangster Squad hold up

Warner Bros. has moved the release of Gangster Squad to January after the film's climactic cinema shoot-out scene drew comparisons to the Aurora, Colo., shooting. Gangster Squad chronicles a bloody 1940s battle between Los Angeles police and mobsters. It culminates in a scene where gangsters shoot automatic weapons into a crowded movie theatre from behind the screen. The film is expected to be reshot and edited. A spokesman for Warner Bros. declined to comment on how the film would be altered. Gangster Squad had been planned for a Sept. 7 release. The postponement means Gangster Squad won't be eligible for Academy Awards consideration this year, shifting from a plum fall release to a month often considered a dumping ground. It's a blow for an anticipated movie with a starry cast. Directed by Ruben Fleischer, it stars Sean Penn, Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone and Josh Brolin.

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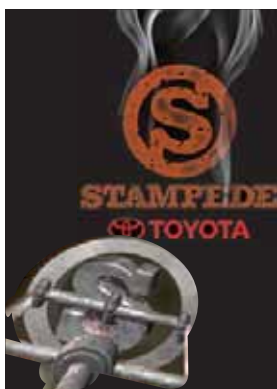




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Daran Lin breaks down at the urn bearing the remains of his son, Jun Lin, during funeral services Thursday in Montreal.

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Parents grieve loss of son Jun Lin at funeral

Burial. Mother of murder victim says she has started to develop sympathy for Magnotta

It's a word the mother of dismembered Chinese student Jun Lin never thought she'd associate with the man charged with murdering her son in brutal fashion.

Sympathy.

Originally, sorrow and anger dominated Zhigui Du's thoughts as she asked herself how such an appalling thing could happen to her son in a kind and peaceful country like Canada.

But as she laid her 33-year-old son to rest Thursday, Du said she has begun to feel sympathy on some level toward a man she calls the "devil."

"Back then, I could only use 'devil' to describe the alleged murderer," said Du, whose

son's gruesome murder captured worldwide attention.

"But later on, when I learned more about this suspect through different news sources, especially about his upbringing, I shockingly discovered my other self who has started to develop sympathy for this person described as 'devil.'"

Du, who was too distraught to attend the funeral itself, made the remarks through an interpreter during a eulogy she gave at a later news conference.

Lin's dismembered torso was found May 29 stuffed in a suitcase dumped outside a Montreal apartment building. Various body parts were found mailed to different parts of the country and in a Montreal park.

Luka Rocco Magnotta has pleaded not guilty to several charges in connection with Lin's death, including a count of first-degree murder.

Any sympathy on Thursday was mixed with a healthy dose of grief and sadness as Lin's

Remembrance

"... It's time to wipe our tears and see our son go with smiles on our faces."

Zhigui Du, mother of Jun Lin

family said their final farewells.

They decided to bury their son's remains in the land he loved, in the city he loved most.

In an emotional 30-minute ceremony, Lin's father sobbed openly as he sat in the front row. Before the ceremony began, he entered the chamber and clutched his son's urn, crying uncontrollably.

Du looked back fondly on the day her son left China.

"When he left China and came to Canada to study, he wanted us to say goodbye with our smiles," she said.

"And today, I think it's time to wipe our tears and see our son go with smiles on our face."

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Third body recovered after B.C. landslide

The search. Rescue crews uncovered the body of Rachel Webber, 17, but were unable to find Petra Frehse, 64

Rescuers have recovered the body of a third victim who died after her family's home was levelled by a huge landslide in a southeastern British Columbia community.

Coroner Lisa LaPointe said 17-year-old Rachel Webber's body was found Wednesday evening near the front of what had been her home in the hamlet of Johnsons Landing.

LaPointe thanked everyone involved in the search, including volunteers and a forensic analyst who pinpointed the best locations to search in a debris field that covers more than 32 hectares.



Sisters Rachel Webber, left, and Diane Webber in an undated handout photo. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The bodies of Webber's 64-year-old father Valentine and her 22-year-old sister Diane were found in the same area last week.

The search for Webber resumed Wednesday after rescue crews determined it was safe to go into the tiny Kootenay Lake area that was hit by the slide on July 12 after torrential rain led a mountain to give way.

A 64-year-old German woman named Petra Frehse remains missing and the search for her body has ended.

Despite digging a trench that was seven metres long and 10 metres wide, searchers were still not able to find her body, LaPointe said.

"I'm very sorry that we weren't able to do that for the Frehse family, but where that house was located in the slide field just made it impossible."

Death certificates will be issued for all three members of the Webber family, while an application to presume the death of Frehse will also be submitted, LaPointe said.

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Shower abuse victim goes after Penn State



Left: Former Penn State University assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky. Right: Former Penn State assistant football coach Mike McQueary.

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Football scandal. Mystery man says he was the one seen being sexually abused by Sandusky in locker-room as a boy

For months, the identity of the boy who was sexually assaulted in the locker-room showers by Jerry Sandusky was one of the biggest mysteries of the Penn State abuse scandal. Now a man has come forward to claim he was that boy and is threatening to sue the university.

The man's lawyers said Thursday they have gathered "overwhelming evidence" on details of the abuse by San-

dusky, the former assistant football coach convicted of using his positions at Penn State and as head of a youth charity to molest boys over a period of 15 years.

Jurors convicted Sandusky last month on 45 sex-abuse counts. Those included offences related to so-called Victim 2 largely on the testimony of Mike McQueary, who was a team graduate assistant at the time and described seeing the shower attack.

"Our client has to live the rest of his life not only dealing with the effects of Sandusky's childhood sexual abuse, but also with the knowledge that many powerful adults, including those at the highest levels of Penn State, put their

Report blasts officials

A recent report conducted by former FBI director Louis Freeh and commissioned by Penn State criticized top school officials for not attempting to identify Victim 2, saying it showed "a striking lack of empathy."

- It said officials looked the other way because they were afraid of bad publicity.

own interests and the interests of a child predator above their legal obligations to protect him," the lawyers said in a news release.

They did not name their client, and The Associated Press generally does not identify victims of sex crimes without their consent.

The university said it was taking the case seriously but would not comment on the pending litigation.

Penn State now faces an unprecedented \$60-million US fine from the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the prospect of multiple lawsuits by the victims.

The statement from the man's attorneys said Victim 2 suffered "extensive sexual abuse over many years both before and after the 2001 incident Michael McQueary witnessed."

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Olympics

Private security firm faces criticism over shortfall

There may soon be a "changing of the guard" at the Olympic Park in London. The private security contractor responsible for the bulk of Olympic security says it's getting hundreds more workers each day.

The security firm G4S has been skewered for failing to provide enough security

personnel for the Games — a shortfall that forced Britain's military to deploy 1,200 more troops this week and 3,500 others last week.

G4S spokesman Adam Mynott said Thursday many workers had either finally passed the accreditation process or completed training. The hope, he said, is to numerically replace the extra military personnel.

Some British lawmakers have called for G4S to foot the bill for bringing in the extra troops.

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Kidnapping

Police seek woman's abductor in bizarre case

The curious circumstances surrounding the kidnapping and then release of Cal Ripken Jr.'s 74-year-old mother is the talk of her community outside Baltimore.

Vi Ripken was found bound but unharmed in her car Wednesday morning, a day after being abducted at gunpoint at her house,

blindfolded and driven around by her kidnapper, police said. He left her in her silver Lincoln Continental near her house.

Ripken told a neighbour that her kidnapper didn't seem to know her son is the Hall of Fame infielder with the nickname "Iron Man" for playing in 2,632 consecutive games during his 21-year career with the Orioles.

Investigators said the kidnapping was peculiar, especially since there was no ransom demand.

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Politicians turning to Twiplomacy

Twitter. Study finds that 16 G-20 leaders are using platform for public diplomacy, but China, Saudi Arabia and Indonesia have not joined Twittersverse

@BarackObama

The most-followed account is @BarackObama, which is run by the Obama campaign office and has 17.8 million followers.

- Of those followers, 76 are peers and other governments. Obama rarely sends his own tweets, but when he does he signs them, as he did in one to the first lady on Valentine's Day.

Almost two-thirds of world leaders have joined the Twittersverse where President Barack Obama and his tweet on gay marriage is the most popular to date, says a new study.

But the rise in so-called "Twiplomacy" resembles something of an echo chamber, according to an analysis of 264 government accounts in 125 countries that PR firm Burson-Marsteller describes as the first-ever global study of world leaders on Twitter.

Some 264 world leaders now have a Twitter account, and researchers believe that 30 of them do their own tweeting. Altogether they

have sent more than 350,000 tweets to almost 52 million followers, the study shows.

But about one-third don't follow each other and dozens don't even follow any other Twitterers. But that doesn't mean they don't converse. More than nine of every 10 tweets by the Ugandan prime minister and the Rwandan president are replies, the study says.

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Remembering Evita

A woman touches the tomb of Argentina's late former first lady Maria Eva Duarte de Peron, better known as Evita, at a cemetery in Buenos Aires, Thursday. Evita died of cancer on July 26, 1952 at the age of 33, and on Thursday Argentines commemorated the 60th anniversary of the death of their most famous first lady.

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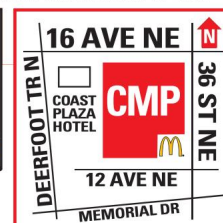
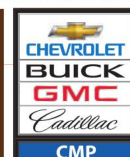
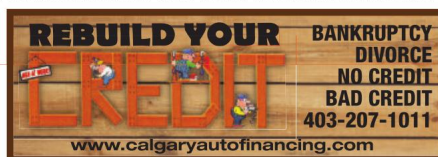
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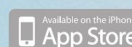
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Beijing flood's official death toll rises to 77

Disaster. Authorities reveal grim tally, the first since Sunday, after search was hindered by mudslides

Chinese authorities on Thursday raised Saturday's Beijing storm's death toll to 77 after the public questioned the tally of 37, with some residents even compiling their own totals in a reflection of deep mistrust of the government's handling of the disaster.

The Beijing city government said 77 bodies of victims from Saturday's downpour had been found in the city as of Thursday; 66 of whom have been identified. Nearly half of the victims were found in Fangshan district, a rural commun-



A taxi driver trapped in the flooded streets of Tianjin, China, Thursday.
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ity in the city's mountainous outskirts, the government said on its microblog.

In a rare expression of

humility, Beijing's flood and drought prevention headquarters offered condolences to the families of the victims and pledged that it would "conscientiously sum up and reflect and learn lessons from" the flood, and improve the city's resilience against disasters.

No new death toll figures had been issued since Sunday, the day after Beijing's largest downpour in 61 years overwhelmed drainage systems, swamped downtown underpasses and sent flash floods roiling through the city's outskirts.

Officials have kept a tight lid on information, mindful that failure to cope with the flooding could undermine the country's leadership as it undergoes a once-a-decade transition, with Beijing leaders a part of that reshuffling.

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Smoke 'em if you got 'em

Tori, a 15-year-old orangutan, smokes a cigarette inside her cage at Satwa Taru Jurug zoo in Solo, Central Java, Indonesia in this July 6 photo. Indonesian zookeepers have moved the female orangutan with a bad habit of smoking away from visitors who regularly throw lit cigarettes into her cage. Tori has been smoking cigarettes for a decade, mimicking human behaviour by holding them casually between her fingers while visitors watch. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Heartland

U.S. drought intensifying: Report

A new report shows the drought in the U.S. heartland is rapidly intensifying and shows no signs of abating.

The U.S. Drought Monitor report released Thursday shows that the amount of land classified in extreme or

exceptional drought jumped to more than 20 per cent, up seven per cent from last week. More than 63 per cent of the continental U.S. is in some stage of drought, a portion unseen since the Drought Monitor started in 1999.

The drought has sent corn, soybean and other commodity prices soaring in recent weeks.

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Commodities

Dry weather will boost food prices

The U.S. government is projecting the record drought gripping half the country will help push food prices up by three to four per cent next year.

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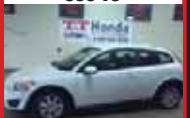


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Mitt Romney's very bad day

U.S. election. Republican candidate's gaffe-riddled UK trip annoys Britons left and right

Mitt Romney's trip abroad was meant to illustrate his readiness for the international stage as he attempts to deny U.S. President Barack Obama a second term in November.

Instead, there was this headline Thursday adorning one of the biggest and most respected newspapers in Great Britain, the Guardian: "Mitt Romney's Olympics blunder stuns No. 10 and hands gift to Obama."

The paper also featured a live blog devoted to Romney ridicule. "Romney in London," read one tweet highlighted on the blog. "Come on. We needed this. It's a little comic relief. Kind of like Mr. Bean, only he's an American."

Indeed, Romney's visit to the United Kingdom has been a veritable public relations disaster, one that immediately got off to a bad start when



Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney answers reporters' questions outside 10 Downing Street in London on Thursday. CHARLES DHARAPAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

an unnamed adviser told the Daily Telegraph that the candidate's "Anglo-Saxon heritage" means he can forge closer ties with Britain than Obama.

As Romney tried to distance himself from those remarks, the Republican presidential hopeful set off another firestorm when he suggested London wasn't prepared for the Summer Games.

"You know, it's hard to know just how well it will turn out," he told NBC News Wed-

nesday. "There are a few things that were disconcerting, the stories about the private security firm not having enough people, supposed strike of the immigration and customs officials; that obviously is not something which is encouraging."

Prime Minister David Cameron was not amused. "You're going to see beyond doubt that Britain can deliver," a testy Cameron told reporters Thursday. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Supreme Court of Canada

Court rules on kidnapping

In a ruling that sought to define when a kidnapping begins and ends, the Supreme Court of Canada on Thursday threw out the appeal of one of Graham McMynn's abductors.

The Supreme Court agreed with the B.C. Court of Appeal that a trial judge erred when he convicted Sam Tuan Vu of unlawful confinement rather than kidnapping.

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Manitoba judge. Inquiry should be halted in wake of biased questioning: Counsel

The inquiry into a Manitoba judge whose nude photos appeared on the Internet may be halted over complaints that the inquiry committee is biased.

Sheila Block, the lawyer representing Manitoba Justice Lori Douglas, said Thursday that questions from the inquiry committee have amounted to "withering, rapid-fire, aggressive cross-examination."

"It revealed one-side views. They were not follow-up, clarifying questions," Block said. "The remedy ... is that the committee should stand down and terminate these proceedings."

Guy Pratte, the independent lawyer leading the inquiry and who represents the public interest, agreed with Block that Macintosh's questioning had gone too far.

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Raw milk farmer can appeal conviction

Cow-share business. Michael Schmidt found guilty of running illegal unpasteurized milk operation in 2011

An Ontario dairy farmer found guilty of producing, selling and distributing raw milk has won the right to appeal his conviction.

Karen Selick, a lawyer for Michael Schmidt, says

the Ontario Court of Appeal granted the leave to appeal Thursday following arguments.

Schmidt was placed under probation in November 2011 for a year and fined \$9,150 for operating an illegal cow-share business.

In Canada, it is illegal to market, sell, distribute unpasteurized milk or cream.

The conviction came after a lower court had acquitted Schmidt of all charges in January 2010.

By the numbers

\$9,150

Michael Schmidt was placed under probation in November 2011 for a year and fined \$9,150 for operating an illegal cow-share business.

Selick says written decisions will be released at a later date.

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Airport strip search. Court case rebuffed

A Montreal woman who was strip-searched by border agents looking for a pink tattoo has lost her legal bid for compensation — and hope for changes to vetting procedures.

It's the latest, and possibly final, twist in Sylvie Menard's three-year fight.

In a recent judgment, the Quebec Superior Court dismissed her challenge, saying authorities had reasonable

justification to act as they did.

The saga began in April 2009 when Menard, who had never run afoul of the law, flew home from a Mexico vacation to an unsettling encounter with airport authorities.

A computer said her name matched that of a suspected criminal with the same birth date, and police were called.

Things got worse for the "really stressed" woman when a female border officer asked her to disrobe to see if she had a pink tattoo on her buttocks — apparently a distinguishing mark of her wanted namesake.

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Most remaining Zellers stores to close their doors

Hudson's Bay Co.
Parent company says running the last 64 locations is no longer viable

Zellers stores may soon join now-defunct Canadian chains as a relic of the retail past after its parent company said Thursday it will close most of the 64 remaining locations, affecting up to 6,400 jobs.

Hudson's Bay Co. — Zellers Inc.'s parent company — has been contemplating what to do with the brand since last year when it sold the majority of the leases for its 279 discount stores to Target Corp. for \$1.83 billion. Spokeswoman Tiffany Bourré said Zellers is "considering options" for certain locations, including "rebranding some stores" — a determination that has yet to be made.

Zellers, which offers everything from housewares to hosiery, has faced an onslaught of competition from large U.S. retailers in recent years, most notably from Walmart, which

Leasehold interests

Target plans to open 125 to 135 stores in Canada. It has purchased the leasehold interests of 189 sites currently operated by Zellers Inc. and it says about \$10 million to \$11 million will be invested to remodel each facility.

- The U.S. retailer is poised to begin opening the first of the stores acquired from Hudson's Bay Co. next year.

has been expanding into a one-stop destination with dry-cleaning services and a full suite of groceries. Zellers was one of the last remaining large Canadian discount retailers after the Woolco, BiWay and Bargain Harold's brands became extinct years ago. The company said it operates 64 stores that were not acquired by Target, or were already slated for closure.

Zellers has been a key part of the Hudson Bay portfolio since 1978, emerging as the

company's discount retail subsidiary by offering clothing and household items at lower price points.

It remained in the HBC fold as the company refocused its efforts on its core retail business in the 1980s and 1990s.

In recent years the company has made efforts to revitalize its Bay stores, hiring former Holt Renfrew executive Bonnie Brooks as chief executive officer, introducing high-end boutique spaces in its Toronto flagship store, and securing the rights to produce uniforms and merchandise for Canada's Olympic athletes.

The sale of Zellers stores to Target has been discussed since at least 2004, when Target was rumoured to be in talks with Hudson's Bay Co. to buy its Zellers stores. HBC has said it plans to use the proceeds from the sale to pay down debt and "spend aggressively" on its other brands, including The Bay and Home Outfitters, as well as Lord & Taylor's in the U.S., adding that an initial public offering of the revamped company is "a very possible scenario."

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Google

Kansas City Internet going warp speed

Google Inc. revealed Thursday what it will charge for its long-awaited, ultra-fast "gigabit" Internet service in Kansas City, about 100 times faster than a basic cable modem: \$70 US per month.

The service is intended as a showcase for what's technically possible.

Bypassing the local cable and phone companies, Google has spent months and an unknown amount of money pulling its own optical fibre through the Kansas City region.

The \$70 per month will pay for "gigabit" Internet service, about 100 times faster than a basic cable modem. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Madoff victims. Trustee hopes to return \$2.4B more

Victims of imprisoned Bernard Madoff's Ponzi scheme could be getting back more of their stolen money.

Irving Picard, the trustee in charge of liquidating Madoff's assets, is asking a New York court for permission to distribute another \$1.5 billion to \$2.4 billion US to investors who lost money in Madoff's fraudulent investments.

Picard's job is to recover as much money as possible for the victims, and the process has been arduous.

Ever since Madoff's firm collapsed, more than three and a half years ago, the victims who are trying to get their money back have filed



Bernard Madoff GETTY IMAGES FILE

lawsuits and made other complaints over how Picard has chosen to distribute the money.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Another Ford recall. Escape SUV has sticky throttle

Ford is recalling nearly 485,000 Escape and Mavericks to fix sticking gas pedals that can cause crashes.

The worldwide recall affects the 2001 through 2004 model years that are powered by 3-litre V-6 engines with cruise control.

It comes just over a week after U.S. safety regulators began investigating the small SUVs, which are called Mavericks in Europe.

The recall affects 421,000 Escapes in the U.S. The rest are in Canada, Mexico, Europe, Asia and some smaller markets.

The U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has received 68 com-

plaints about the problem, including 13 crashes, nine injuries and one death.

A teenage girl died when an Escape crashed in Arizona in January.

It's the third recall in two weeks for the Escape, which was the top-selling SUV in the U.S. last month.

A week ago Ford recalled 11,500 of the all-new 2013 models with 1.6-litre engines because the fuel lines can crack and leak gasoline, causing fires.

A few days before that, it recalled 10,000 2013 Escapes to fix carpet padding that could interfere with braking.

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REALITY BITES FOR SULLIED SNOW WHITE



THE LIST
Paul Sullivan
Metro

1 Olympic insecurity. There's about one soldier for every athlete ready to take part in the 2012 London Games. At least I think they're ready. On a visit

to London, U.S. presidential candidate Mitt Romney, who organized the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics, said the last-minute security issues in London were "disturbing." That prompted U.K. Prime Minister David Cameron to retort that anybody can organize the Olympic Games "in the middle of nowhere." England 1, Tea Party 0.

2 Love bites. Robert Pattinson is "heartbroken and angry" (says a source) and has moved out of the Beverly Hills home he shared with Kristen Stewart, his Twilight co-star, after she was caught biting someone else's neck. The other party was not a werewolf, but the director of Stewart's latest movie Snow White and the Huntsman — an entirely different kind of predator.

3 Speaking of bats. Christian Bale, whose Batman series may have inspired James Holmes to allegedly murder a dozen innocent moviegoers, shows he, at least, understands the difference between reality and illusion by turning up at the bedsides of the survivors and attending memorial services for the dead. Holmes, meanwhile, ain't even close: He reportedly keeps asking his jailer how the movie ends. With any luck, he'll spend eternity in hell still wondering.

4 The war between Alberta and B.C. The nation is mesmerized as the two western-most premiers duke it out over royalties and risk regarding the yet-to-be-approved Enbridge pipeline carrying Alberta oilsands oil across B.C. to port for Asian customers. B.C.'s Christy Clark wants less risk and more royalties; Alberta's Alison Redford says: Bite me! Are we beginning to sense a theme here?

5 In other CO₂ news, Greenland melts. As in 97 per cent of the ice sheet covering the island. The last time that happened was 1889. On May 29, the temperature at the southern weather station reached 24.8 C, a record. If the whole ice cap melts, sea levels will rise by seven metres. But not to worry, global warming's some kind of elaborate hoax. Easy to say, unless you live on the coast.

6 In other H₂O news. Lucky Larry, the 17-pound lobster, has been saved. After surviving anywhere between 70 and 100 years, Lucky Larry was unlucky enough to end up on the menu at a restaurant in Connecticut, drawing local gawkers who wanted to laugh and point before his Last Bath. But "good lobsterian" Don MacKenzie saved Larry and set him free, invoking the sanity laws.

7 They call the judge "Mariah." Mariah Carey replaces Jennifer Lopez as a judge on American Idol, which is only fitting, as she's the one responsible for the legions of competing copycat divas who pretend to play the microphone like a trumpet and lard their vocals with overblown, unnecessary runs and trills. Mother Carey's chickens come home to roost.

8 Speaking of birds. It's hard to believe, but Twitter went down Thursday right in the middle of all the above exciting stuff, probably because everyone was tweeting about Robert and Kristen's vampire games. For about an hour, no birds sang. And then, of course, the most popular topic was #WhenTwitterWasDown ... after it went up.

9 BieberWatch. Justin, as part of his maturity project, has gotten a new tattoo following the release of his latest album, Believe. Why am I thinking about that great line from Finding Nemo? "I think I just inked myself." Well, what else could he do? Twitter was down.

Planet Earth as a canvas



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Q & A

'Great combination of colours and patterns'

In your opinion, what made this particular photo a winning one?

This image of Gotland — acquired in July 2005 — was a particularly popular one thanks to its great combination of colours and patterns.

What is also noteworthy — and

especially so for biologists — concerns the blooms of phytoplankton. These microscopic organisms contain a green chlorophyll pigment they use to generate nutrients with the help of sunlight. But in this area near Gotland, the clutters of phytoplankton are very unusual.



RONALD BECK
Public information specialist
at Landsat

Earth photography

Photo of island and luminous plankton wins public vote

In this amazing island-and-sea photograph, you can almost see Van Gogh's famous painting *The Starry Night*. The image of greenish phytoplankton swirling around Gotland, a Swedish island in the Baltic Sea, was voted by the public as the top image from NASA's Earth as Art collection. The collection is based on more than 40 years' worth of images from the space agency's Earth-observation satellites.

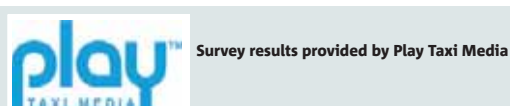
Since 1972, NASA's Landsat earth-observing program has become a vital reference worldwide for understanding scientific issues related to land use and natural resources.

Beyond the scientific information they supply, some Landsat images are simply striking to look at, presenting spectacular views of mountains, valleys and islands as well as forests, grasslands and agricultural patterns.

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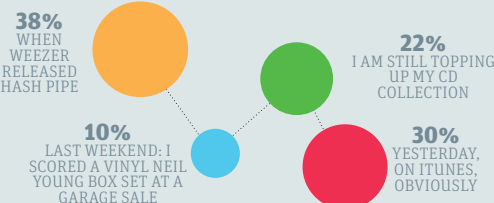


Vincent van Gogh's *The Starry Night* is one of the Dutch artist's most iconic and globally recognizable works. GOOGLE ART PROJECT



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@JenniferOmnom:

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first time in a while. Won't make that mistake again. Wow. #yyc #transit

@_BethanyLauren:

I keep getting taunted by the people in folkfest volunteer t-shirts going by my work. 4 hours until I'm on the island!! #cfmf #yyc #folkfest

@jasmineanjamay: New thing. Now tweeting #yyc #police the license plate # of any speeding through construction zones. Since #yycpolice can't seem to do this.

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The Watch shifts from police procedural to comedy to alien invasion. HANDOUT

Reel Guys

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Scripts that go clunk in the night

The Watch. Three of the funniest guys around can't even save this lacklustre comedy

Richard: Mark, The Watch mixes and matches an alien invasion story with a police procedural story and comedy in the same way that it throws together its three over the title stars, Stiller, Hill and Vaughn. That is to say, sloppily. It hopes to win audiences by giving them a little of everything, but feels like the cinematic equivalent of an unmade bed. Luckily newcomer (to us anyway) Richard Ayoade spices things up.

Mark: Richard, I didn't even like this movie when it was called Ghostbusters. And that movie had an iconic cast and was very much of its moment. But this flick feels so ripped off that even the col-

our of the slime is the same. Yes, Ayoade is good, and I hope to see him in a better movie soon. And Vince Vaughan can't help but be funny. But you're right about the sloppiness of the whole enterprise. Every scene and every character has a different tone, resulting in a tone-deaf comedy. I don't think I laughed once.

RC: I liked this more than you think. I laughed, but the giggles didn't come as the result of a well-crafted script or an intelligent direction. They come because this crew of veterans knows how to suck a laugh out of almost anything. Vaughn made me laugh here and there, but his fast-talking act wore thin for me a long time ago. Ditto Stiller and Hill and their trademarks. I was happy to have a breath of fresh air in the form of Ayoade, who can make a throwaway line like, "That was stressful," the funniest gag in the film.

MB: Yes, we're dealing with comedy pros here. The acting isn't the problem. The script — even the idea of the script — is. This wheezy contraption felt completely fake, especially at the end when the movie turns violent. I mean, come on, is anyone in the theatre supposed to be scared of the aliens? Or care about the "heroes?" This is Hollywood committee writing at its worst, Richard, and you know it!

RC: I agree, but if you go in like I did, with low to no expectations, you'll laugh occasionally. Not loudly, and not often, but you'll laugh. If it is alien comedy that you're after, however, you may be better off renting Paul, starring Nick Frost, Simon Pegg and a foul mouthed ET.

MB: Or Galaxy Quest or even Earth Girls are Easy. I think if this had been a pure com-

Synopsis


When a security guard is found skinned alive at a Costco, the store's manager Evan (Ben Stiller) vows to find his employee's killer. To get the job done he starts a Neighborhood Watch with three misfit volunteers from the community. Bob (Vince Vaughn) is a manchild with a wild child daughter. Franklin (Jonah Hill) is a psycho cop wannabe and Jamarkus (Richard Ayoade) joined because he hopes it will help him meet women. They discover the killer may not be of this planet!

- Richard: ●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●●

On the web



Big names from Tom Hanks to Jerry Seinfeld enter digital fray



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Drama/Music



Step Up Revolution

Director. Scott Speer

Stars. Ryan Guzman, Kathryn McCormick

This installment of the franchise is now transported to Miami and introduces an entirely new cast. A local dance crew stages spontaneous routines on the city's streets in the hopes of winning a viral video challenge. But when a developer threatens to tear down their neighbourhood, the tycoon's own daughter shows her new friends that their fancy footwork can be used to save their area from destruction. Once again, the dance sequences are spectacular. But can't we please get a movie that offers more than your average music video?

IAN GORMELY

Drama



Virginia

Director. Dustin Lance Black

Stars. Jennifer Connelly, Ed Harris, Emma Roberts

The latest film from Dustin Lance Black (Milk, J. Edgar) has a little bit of everything: romance, revenge, religion, robberies. The list goes on. The film centres around Virginia, a mentally ill single mother who fakes a pregnancy to ensnare the married sheriff she's been sleeping with for decades (Harris). But there are too many subplots and minor characters that distract from Virginia's story. Despite this, the film is held together by a beautiful performance by Connelly in the title role.

REGAN REID

Drama



Beasts of the Southern Wild

Director. Benh Zeitlin

Stars. Quevenzhane Wallis, Dwight Henry

This critically praised indie is shot with a poet's eye but it's not poetry. Director Benh Zeitlin's debut slams together artful mysticism and calculated naturalism to create a dubious sort of hybrid. Six-year-old Quevenzhane Wallis holds the fort as a motherless sprite endangered by a storm but the other characters are blurry and the relentless reaching for "powerful" effects grows tiring by the end.

ADAM NAYMAN

Luke Skywalker joins the dark side

Sushi Girl. Sadistic thief role allowed Mark Hamill to play the bad guy – and he enjoyed every minute



Mark Hamill. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Star Wars could have been a lot different if Mark Hamill had picked his role.

"I remember reading Star Wars and thinking, boy, I wish I could be playing Darth Vader — that's the part," Hamill said.

There was never any question of that, however, and he went on to become a pop culture icon as plucky Luke Skywalker, the intrepid space adventurer who helps derail the evil Vader's plans for galactic domination in three Star Wars films.

Hamill's latest role is a galaxy away from the earnest Skywalker. In *Sushi Girl*, a crime noir flick having its international premiere at Montreal's Fantasia Film Festival, he plays

Crow, a sadistic robber who inflicts pain with all the nonchalance of a chat between Skywalker and his robot pal R2D2.

"Every actor wants to push the envelope and explore the extremes on both sides," Hamill said, calling Skywalker "an icon of virtue."

But playing villains has proven lucrative for him too, with one of the most notable being his over-the-top vocal in-

terpretation of The Joker in the animated Batman TV series and video games.

"It was a great kick to be cast as The Joker because he's an icon 180 degrees away from Luke," Hamill said, agreeing it's often more enjoyable to play the villain than the hero.

"You're messing up the chance for good to succeed and that's a lot of fun."

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André Rieu's 25th Anniversary Home-town Concert (STC) Sat 12:45
Brave (G) Fri-Thu 12:15
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Curious George (G) Sat 11
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Ice Age: Continental Drift (G) Fri-Thu 12:05-2:25-4:50-7:15
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Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (G) Fri-Thu 11:30
Magic Mike (14A) Fri 1:40-4:30-7:40-10:15 Sat 1-4:30-7:40-10:15 Sun-Tue 1:40-4:30-7:40-10:15 Wed 1:40-4:30-10:15 Thu 1:40-4:30-7:40-10:15
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Animal Kingdom has something to say about the human condition

The Looking Away. New album carries theme of detachment — where people are separate from each other and the world

KILLIAN YOUNG

Metro World News in New York

British ambient alt-rockers Animal Kingdom derive their band name from two opposite sources: science and religion.

Singer, guitarist and pianist Richard Sauberlich says he was reading books like *The Naked Ape* and *The Human Zoo*, both by Desmond Morris.

"He's an anthropologist

who examines human behaviour through the prism of animal behaviour, really," says Sauberlich.

"And at the same time, I saw this picture in a children's Bible of Noah, in the ark, obviously. ... And the two just came together, joined together in my head."

He says the two ideas made him realize something about the human condition.

"I don't think we're necessarily, as humans, separate from or above the animals in terms of our basic drives and motivations," he says.

This inclusive philosophy stands in stark contrast to the material on Animal Kingdom's sophomore album, *The Looking Away*, where the main theme is one of detachment.

On the album, humans are



removed from their animal roots, as well from the tragedies of the world.

"I think it's something that we all do," Sauberlich says of the tendency toward tuning

out bad news.

"It takes an incredibly strong and brave character to

stare at something that makes them uncomfortable 24/7, 365 (days) a year."

If there's one thing Animal Kingdom are not removed from, it's social media. While recording *The Looking Away*, the band asked fans to record themselves singing a lyric that would be compiled together for the ending of the track *Straw Man*.

Although the fan-inspired version of the track didn't make the final cut, Sauberlich says that he was impressed by the response.

"It almost sounded like a lullaby with loads of people singing very subtly," Sauberlich says of the ending.

"There's a nice message to the lyric, (which is) reinforced by ... the fans believing in doing it."

King of the surf guitar on the road, helping others with cancer

Dick Dale. Musician tries to leave his own pain behind as he tours to connect with other sufferers of the disease

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Metro Boston

Though it may be hard to believe, Dick Dale, king of the surf guitar, is actually from Massa-

chusetts. Dale was born in South Boston and raised in Quincy.

"I have many, many fond memories there," notes Dale. "I remember playing *Silent Night* as an instrumental with my acoustic guitar in the winter at Quincy Point and walking home in the snow."

When his father got a job offer from Howard Hughes in 1954, the family moved to California and Dale began surfing — a hobby that would provide the primary influence for his signature sound.

"Gene Cooper's drums and the way he accentuated became



Dick Dale. GETTY IMAGES

my picking style. I went from that to copying the sound of getting caught up in a very big

wave," says Dale.

"I was also raising lions and tigers and preserving the breeds of the jungle. When they would scream to me to be fed or to come play with them they would go 'Yaoooooo.' I would try to imitate that sound on my guitar. So it was a mixture of everything — Gene Cooper, lions and tigers, and the ocean."

Besides being known as founder of surf rock, Dale is also known reverently as the "father of heavy metal."

"In those days the sound was created by an output transformer and they were only 10

or 15 watts and only had 6-to-8 inch speakers," notes Dale. "I started buying these things and they would keep catching on fire because I was pushing the ampage."

After his friend Leo Fender noticed the demand for a bigger sound, he went to work on making Dale the first ever 100-watt amplifier.

"We plugged in the amplifier and it was like going from a VW Bug to a Testarossa racecar," says Dale. "That's when I made the world's ears bleed. Then we got all the people who copied me."

Now 75, Dale is coping with

cancer and diabetes. While his health issues have kept him from surfing, they haven't stopped him from touring. Travelling with his son who plays drums, Dale's wife also joins him on his journey as his nurse.

"She's the one keeping me alive," says Dale.

"We're on the road to help people going through the same thing that I'm going through and to have a different attitude and forget about our pain by helping other people deal with theirs. So we laugh about it, we swear about it and we say, 'What can we do for you?'"

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Dierks Bentley is releasing a new four-song EP called *Country & Cold Cans* even while his last album continues to chart hit singles. EVAN AGOSTINI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dierks Bentley drops surprise four-song ode to summer fun

Going on tour.

Country music singer releases new album even while his last disc continues to power up the charts

A few years ago Dierks Bentley went hard against country music convention by releasing a rockin' bluegrass-roots album. He's decided to break the rules again.

This time around, Bentley is releasing a new four-song EP called *Country & Cold Cans* even while his last album continues to chart hit singles. Turns out Bentley just wanted to have a little fun with his friends.

"Sometimes that should be the driving force in your decisions, you know?" Bentley said.

"It doesn't always have

to be a business decision or well-thought-out plan. Just go out there, have fun, do it with some friends and put out some new tunes."

Country & Cold Cans is out Aug. 21. The EP will be a digital-only release available on iTunes initially. Bentley will support the EP with a quick three-date tour Aug. 20-22 at the University of South Carolina, the University of Georgia and the University of Mississippi.

The music is meant to be loose and off the cuff. With songs like the title track, *Grab a Beer and Back Porch*, the aim is clear.

Bentley said he's targeting the same kind of kids curious about country music like he was as a teenager growing up in Arizona.

"It's called *Country & Cold Cans*," Bentley said with a laugh. "It's not called *Beethoven*."

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Other album

Bentley released his last album *Home* earlier this year and 5-1-5-0, his 10th No. 1 country single as both artist and songwriter, reached the top of the charts this week. It's the third No. 1 from *Home*.

- **Business as usual.** Normally, competing music would be considered a hindrance to the success of that album. But in this case, Bentley welcomes the interruption in business as usual. The music was written on the road, then recorded over a two-day period with his touring band and produced with Jaren Johnston, a member of *The Cadillac Black* — Bentley's opening band on tour this year.

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Travis has All the Right Moves

Dancing days. Emmy-nominated choreographer brought his talent, and drama, to TCA press tour

AMBER RAY
Metro World News

The work of Travis Wall is everywhere. The young dancer is choreographing routines on the current season of Fox's *So You Think You Can Dance*; his moves are featured in the film *Step Up Revolution*, hitting theatres Friday; and on Tuesday, his mission to found the dance company Shaping Sound with his friends is documented on the new Oxygen reality series, *All the Right Moves*.

The 24-year-old SYTYCD veteran — he was the runner-up on the competition's second season — has, undeniably, become a bankable name in the dance world.

That notoriety doesn't always sit well with his pals — including Shaping Sound co-founders Nick Lazzarini, winner of the first season of SYTYCD, and Teddy Forance, who has performed with Lady Gaga and Janet Jackson — which makes Wall's story perfect for a docu-series. Artistry and drama collide in every episode.

"When we were getting things kicked off, I definitely took the leadership role," Wall said of his group at the Television Critics Association press tour in Beverly Hills, Calif., on Wednesday. "And through the season, we definitely see control struggles. Our egos are definitely tested."

From episode one there is concern over the shadow Wall's spotlight may cast on his partners, particularly after the suggestion is made to rename the company Travis Wall's Shaping Sound.

"That was not the intention of starting this dance company, to throw my name on it," Wall insisted.

Instead, Wall hopes Shaping Sound, whose co-founders were just nominated for

an Emmy for their choreography on *Dancing with the Stars*, receives even more widespread recognition for their talent.

"Our goal in the entire series is to ... tour the United States with our dance company," Wall said. "We can pay our dancers. We can travel the country together, have fun, party, dance, and just have the time of our lives."



Dancer Travis Wall speaks onstage at the *All the Right Moves* panel during the 2012 Summer TCA Tour in California. FREDERICK M. BROWN/GETTY IMAGES

Tricks of the tailor. After 10 seasons, *Project Runway* still puts on a good show



Heidi Klum GETTY IMAGES

Project Runway, the U.S. reality TV competition for fashion designers, is back and celebrating its 10th anniversary. But even with 125 episodes behind it, the show still has tricks up its meticulously tailored sleeve.

"We had one (challenge) where (the designers) had to make clothes out of candy," Klum reveals, though she is careful to keep the details of other Season 10 challenges a secret. "We went to Ralph Lauren's daughter's store ... Dylan's Candy Bar, and they loved it. I loved it too. I love the unconventional challenge when they get to make clothes out of things that are not fabric."

The Lifetime series — originally airing on Bravo for Seasons one through five — still provides plenty of eye-candy, too, as designers compete to craft the best clothing, culminating in the finalists showing their collections at New York Fashion Week. "I think people enjoy watching that dream of another person," Klum says. "You fight for them. You root for them. You want them to do well, and

you want to see what they can come up with."

But with big dreams come big egos. Klum warns of a scandal involving two cast members leaving the show altogether this season.

"This has never happened to us before," she says. "I think they just couldn't make it work. We always say, 'Make it work, make it work.' They just could not make it work and in the morning they were gone. They literally packed up their bags and ran off in the middle of the night when everyone else was sleeping. We just couldn't believe it."

Despite the incident, Klum insists *Project Runway* is still about the contestants' work, not the drama. "Our show is based on talent," Klum says. "It's not based on having characters. There are so many shows out there that just put people on because they look a certain way or they talk a certain way or they're goofy and funny or they do a lot for show or they do a lot for TV. Our show is based on fashion."

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Katherine Jackson. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Katherine's lawyer vows to get her reinstated as guardian

The Jackson family's recent dispute seems to be at least partially resolved, as Katherine Jackson has been reunited with her grandchildren.

"Grandma's here!" Paris Jackson, her 14-year-old granddaughter, posted to Twitter.

Katherine, who is legal guardian for Paris and her two brothers — children of the late Michael Jackson — was reported missing after she was spirited away

to Arizona to rest without her grandchildren being notified. The kids' cousin, TJ Jackson, was granted temporary custody this week, but now that Katherine is back she intends to regain custody, according to Hollyscoop.

"This is creating some havoc that we need to nip in the bud," her lawyer, Perry Sanders, says.

"I intend to get her immediately reinstated as the guardian."

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Pattinson relationship heading to its Twilight

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Not surprisingly, Robert Pattinson has packed up and left the Los Angeles home he shared with Kristen Stewart. This comes after Us Weekly published photos of his girlfriend and Twilight co-star in the midst of a not-so-discreet fling with director Rupert Sanders.

Although Stewart issued a weepy public appeal for forgiveness, it appears Pattinson isn't having any of it — maybe because, like Us Weekly, he noticed that

the L.A. Dodgers hat she was wearing in the photos looks suspiciously similar to one he's frequently spotted in.

"I'm not sure they'll be able to recover from this," a source associated with Twilight tells People magazine, adding that Pattinson isn't in contact with Stewart and "is heartbroken and angry."

Tell us, source, how does Kristen feel?

"Kristen really loves Rob more than anything," they continue.

"He's all that matters to her right now."

There's plenty more to come from this: Stewart is reportedly preparing to personally apologize to Sanders' wife, and the final Twilight circus doesn't hit theatres until November.

In other words: If we have to feel like a sleazy Cheaters B-team crew, so do you, so try to sit back and enjoy the ride.



Jeremy Renner

Renner not prepared for what popped up

Jeremy Renner doesn't have the best luck with flights, he tells Jimmy Kimmel during an interview.

"A lot of times when I'm on the plane, I have to sleep. And I'm not a good sleeper on the plane," the Bourne Legacy star explains. "I had to fly from London to Los Angeles for dinner, and then get right back on a plane to London. ... Somebody gave me some pills, like Ambien. So I took

a little sleeping pill, popped it and realized nothing's happening — but something else was happening!"

Renner soon realized he had accidentally taken a Viagra pill instead.

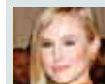
"Not only did I not sleep the entire flight, but there was ... 'camping' ... happening," he says. "The flight attendants were sort of in on the joke. They were like, 'Can we get you anything, Mr. Renner?'"

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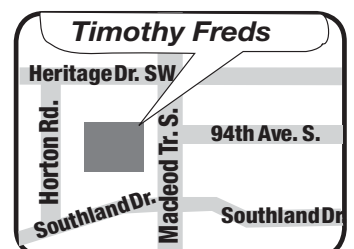
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2. In blender, purée cherries until smooth. Stir the cherries into the reduced cola and cook for another 2 minutes. Strain mix through fine mesh strainer, discarding solids. Allow to cool. Refrigerate until using.

3. To use with shaved ice, drizzle a bit of the syrup over a cone or bowl of ice, then garnish with chopped maraschino cherries.

Granita option: Stir 2 more 12-oz cans of cola into the entire batch of cooled syrup. Pour into a 9-by-13-inch pan and freeze. Every 20 minutes, use a fork to scrape and stir the mixture until it is firm with small ice crystals. Spoon into dishes and garnish with chopped cherries.

Coconut Lime Shaved Ice

- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/3 cup lime juice
- Zest of 2 limes
- Cream of coconut, to drizzle

1. In a small saucepan over medium heat, combine the sugar, water, lime juice and lime zest. Heat, stirring until the sugar dissolves, about 3 to 4 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow the mixture to cool completely. Refrigerate until ready to use.

2. To use with shaved ice, drizzle a bit of the syrup over a cone or bowl of ice, then drizzle cream of coconut over the top.

Granita option: Stir another 1 1/2 cups of water and 1/2 cup lime juice into the entire batch of chilled syrup. Pour the mixture into a 9-by-13-inch pan and freeze. Every 20 minutes, use a fork to scrape and stir the mixture until it is firm with small ice crystals. Gently fold and swirl 1/2 cup cream of coconut into the mixture, then scoop into bowls or glasses to serve.

Mocha Shaved Ice

- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 3 tablespoons instant coffee granules
- 1 cup water
- Shaved chocolate, to garnish

1. In a small saucepan over medium heat, combine the sugar, cocoa powder, instant coffee and water. Whisk until the sugar and instant coffee dissolve. Remove from the heat and strain the mixture through a fine mesh strainer. Allow to cool completely. Refrigerate until ready to use.

2. To use with shaved ice, stir the syrup then drizzle a bit over a cone or bowl of ice, then garnish with shaved chocolate.

Granita option: Stir another 2 1/2 cups of water into entire batch of cooled syrup. Pour into a 9-by-13-inch pan and freeze. Every 20 minutes, use a fork to scrape and stir the mixture until it is firm with small ice crystals. Spoon into dishes and garnish with shaved chocolate.

Liquid Assets

London beer and Olympic watching



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Unless they make chugging an Olympic sport, the only torch I'll ever carry is for that brunette I had the hots for in university.

I do love London and can't think of a better place to watch our athletes compete — on TV from the comfort of one of the city's old school pubs.

They take drinking beer very seriously in England, with a pint of almost every variety of ale tracing its roots back to somewhere in the United Kingdom.

While the taps advertising huge multinational producers dominate modern London's liquor landscape, you can still get a glass of local brew at the public houses owned by individual breweries.

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Folk music, food and beer

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Watch the Games on a really, really big screen

Want to catch the Olympic coverage? Downtown Calgary will feature CTV's coverage of the London 2012 Olympic Games on a massive state-of-the-art LED screen located on Stephen Avenue between 2 St. SW and 3 St. SW. Starting with the Opening Ceremonies at noon on July 27 and for 17 consecutive days, this is the Olympic celebration site in Calgary — and a unique way to check out the Games with your friends, colleagues and neighbours.



Get your electric vibe on

Calgary's newest, largest and hottest outdoor electronic music festival, Electric Vibefest, will be taking place July 28 from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. at Canada Olympic Park (88 Canada Olympic Road SW) with the most sought after, world-recognized electronic music artists taking the stage. Spend the day under the sun dancing to 20-plus DJs and performers.



Discover China, right here in Calgary

Curious about the city's vibrant Chinatown? Discover the culture and personality hidden inside one of Calgary's oldest neighbourhoods on a free walking tour on July 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. Stay for more entertainment and fun at the Calgary Chinese Cultural Centre (197-1 St. SW). Pre-registration is required.



Got the Monday blues? Head to Made For Love

Sipping cocktails in an amazing venue is exactly how you should be spending your Monday night, after you kick off the week. Join 12 of the city's best bartenders from notable restaurants in town at The Art Gallery of Calgary (117-8 Ave. SW) for Made With Love on July 30. Vote on your favourite cocktail creation and enjoy complimentary food and music.



The most fun you can have with your boots on

The city's legendary Cowboys Nightclub is back and officially opens this weekend. The new location at Cowboys Casino (421 12th Ave. SE) is classy and contemporary, but is still going to be "the most fun you can have with your boots on!"

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Edwin Encarnacion hits a three-run home run against the Oakland Athletics Thursday at Rogers Centre in Toronto. BRAD WHITE/GETTY IMAGES

Jays dodge sweep with two blasts and a bunt

MLB. Toronto bounces back from Wednesday's 16-0 drubbing by Athletics

A pair of big blasts and a bunt helped the Toronto Blue Jays avoid a sweep at the hands of the surging Oakland Athletics.

Edwin Encarnacion hit a three-run homer in the fourth and Kelly Johnson hit a solo shot in the seventh as the Blue Jays beat Oakland 10-4 Thursday, stopping the Athletics' winning streak at seven games.

But in between the homers there was a bunt in the sixth by Travis Snider on a safety squeeze with runners at second

Thursday's game

10	4
Blue Jays	Athletics

and third that scored two runs when Oakland left-hander Tommy Milone lost control on his throw to first.

The throw hit Snider and allowed a second run to score on the play to give the Blue Jays a 5-4 lead, and they never looked back.

"In that spot we're playing for a run just to tie things up," Blue Jays manager John Farrell

Quoted

"Just a good come-from-behind win today, particularly with the way things finished up last night."

Blue Jays manager John Farrell

said. "Fortunately they mishandled the ball and we end up scoring two runs."

Milone said he rushed the throw.

"When he first squared I thought maybe I would have a play at home but then I kind of saw the runner out of the corner of my eye and he looked like he was going to be safe anyway," Milone said.

The Blue Jays bounced back from a 16-0 drubbing by the A's on Wednesday.

"You can quickly turn the page on a tough day, that's the beauty of this game," Farrell said.

The Blue Jays scored four runs in the eighth on a double by Snider, a sacrifice fly by Yan Gomes, and a double by Johnson against Sean Doolittle and a double by Jeff Mathis against Evan Scribner.

"(Toronto) executed well and got some big hits down the stretch," A's manager Bob Melvin said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Canadian Open

Piercy sets course record

Scott Piercy sits atop the leaderboard after a soggy opening round at the RBC Canadian Open.

The American fired an 8-under 62 at Hamilton Golf and Country Club, which was softened considerably by rain that fell overnight and throughout the day.

Piercy held a one-shot lead over Greg Owen and William McGirt. Robert Garrigus was another shot back.

Adam Hadwin of Abbotsford, B.C., the low Canadian at this event the last two years, opened with a 66.

It was a tough day for Ernie Els in his return to action after winning the British Open last weekend. The South African shot a 72. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL

Owners' turn to listen at talks

A day after tabling the remaining elements of its opening contract offer, it was the NHL's turn to listen.

The NHL Players' Association made a number of presentations to owners Thursday, including ones addressing pensions, training camp and ice conditions. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL

Hurricanes sign sniper Semin

The Carolina Hurricanes signed sniper Alexander Semin to a \$7-million US, one-year deal Thursday.

Semin had 21 goals and 33 assists with the Washington Capitals last season.

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Mobile sports



In an off-season marked by Junior Seau's suicide and scores of lawsuits over brain injuries, the NFL on Thursday launched a comprehensive wellness program for current and retired players. Some welcomed the program as long overdue while those leading the NFL concussion litigation said the latest program lends credence to lawsuits against the league. Scan the code for the story.

STAMPEDERS GET A TAD BETTER

Veteran defensive back should give Calgary defence a much-needed boost; victory at old club must be on mind of Argos coach; and Lions should side with punishing Khalif Mitchell for hyper-extending opponent's arm



CFL EXTRA POINTS
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Calgary Stampeders: The Stamps addition of eight-year CFL vet Tad Kornegay, who recorded 39 tackles and two interceptions in 15 games with the Lions last season, is a timely acquisition. With Stamps veteran cornerback Keon Raymond (hamstring), halfback Brandon Smith (leg) and linebacker Marvin White (hamstring), all on the mend,

they will need the versatile defender.

Toronto Argonauts: Argos head coach Scott Milanovich is trying to downplay his return to Montreal this weekend, where he coached for five seasons. The former Als offensive co-ordinator claims he's too focused on the game to fret over coming back to his old stomping grounds, but you have to think Milanovich would love to steal two points from old boss Marc Trestman.

Hamilton Tiger-Cats: Henry Burris has erased any

notion that he's past his prime as a CFL QB with 360 yards passing and four touchdowns last week that earned him the CFL's offensive-player-of-the-week honours. The Tiger-Cats pivot completed 27 of 30 passes against Montreal, tying him with Jason Maas for the fifth-best single-game completion percentage (90) in CFL history.

Montreal Alouettes: We might finally be witnessing the long-predicted decline of the Alouettes, who appear unable to win on the road and have allowed an atrocious

139 points in just four games. They pulled off a miracle comeback to beat Calgary and could very well be sitting 1-3 heading into Week 5.

B.C. Lions: Lions defensive lineman Khalif Mitchell has the right to appeal his two-game suspension as part of the CFLPA's bargaining agreement with the league. But shouldn't the Lions management (Wally Buono) have stepped in and made it clear he needs to take his medicine or face a team suspension of similar length for hyper-extending the arm of Eskimos

offensive lineman Simeon Rottier last Friday?

Saskatchewan Roughriders: Not everyone is on-side with Regina's decision to construct a new \$278-million, 33,000-seat football stadium for the Riders. Despite a \$100-million loan from the province, an \$80-million grant, and the city's \$73-million contribution toward the construction of the facility, Riders fans will still be tagged with a \$12.50 service charge per game, ramping up the cost of already pricey Roughriders tickets.



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Canadians bringing swagger to the pool

Swimming.

Expectations running high for team after struggles in past Games

Canada's swimmers are demanding more of themselves at the Summer Olympics.

After no medals in 2004 and one bronze in 2008, Canada's team of 33 athletes is targeting three medals and swimmers in 13 to 15 finals in London.

"It's completely different," backstroker Julia Wilkinson said Thursday. "Four years ago, it was 'We hope we can make some finals.'"

"Now it's 'Who is going to be the first one to win a medal?' We've kind of come in with this swagger and we believe we can do it."

As if to punctuate her point, the Stratford, Ont., swimmer had her nails painted red, white and gold this week.

Swimming starts Saturday and runs for eight days. The



Canada's Julia Wilkinson practises in London on Thursday. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

open-water races, which are 10-kilometre swims, will be contested in the second week.

Victoria's Ryan Cochrane prevented a second straight shutout in the pool in Beijing when he won bronze on the last day of competition. Wilkinson was about to race a relay and recalls she and her teammates were stunned to tears by Cochrane's medal.

There will be no shock and awe this time, according to the head of Swimming Canada.

"I don't have a crystal ball," said chief executive officer Pierre Lafontaine. "I can tell you the Canadian kids in our lanes are going to walk pretty tall and they're going to feel they belong in that pool. They're not going to get intimidated by much." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Track-and-field

Bolt says he's been slowed by bad back

Usain Bolt finally confessed there has been something wrong. It was his back.

The Olympic champion said Thursday a bad back has been causing him hamstring problems, leading to a pair of losses to training partner Yohan Blake at the Jamaican trials.

"It was a slight problem. I got that fixed and I'm ready to go," Bolt said in his first formal media appearance of the London Games, where he was given the honour of carrying his country's flag at Friday's opening ceremony.

Bolt lost to Blake twice at the recent Jamaican

trials in both the 100 and his favoured 200 metres. The setbacks fuelled speculation that he was injured, but haven't dampened expectation that he will retain his 100 and 200 gold medals.

Bolt also dismissed talk that he had been training away from TV cameras and reporters at the Jamaican team camp in central England because he is injured.

"I'm always ready," he said. "It's all about the championship. It's never about the trials, everyone knows that. My coach doesn't like the cameras. He likes to keep me away from the cameras."

Bolt was scheduled to appear alongside Blake and other athletes at the event in the heart of east London, but travel problems held some of them up, the Jamaican Olympic Association said.

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Usain Bolt in London on Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Heat wave

Organizers are attempting to address complaints over excessive heat inside the Olympic Aquatics Centre.

- Temperatures around the pool have soared over 30 C during a heat wave.

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London calling: Let the Games begin

Opening ceremony.

Performance comes before partying for many Canadian athletes

Canadian swimming star Mark Tewksbury watched the opening ceremony of the 1992 Barcelona Olympics from the cafeteria of the athletes' village.

Tewksbury, who won gold at those Games in the 100-metre backstroke, was hoping to get a leg-up on the competition by saving his legs from what he knew would be a long and physically taxing night.

"I got to the cafeteria and my main competitors were all there watching on TV too," said Tewksbury, Canada's chef de mission at the London Games. "But it was OK. I won it by six one hundredths so who knows? That might have been the six hundredths I would have lost."

Many of Canada's athletes are skipping Friday's opening ceremony, some because they're competing the next day, others because they're housed in locations that are too far a trek from the stadium.

"Some people really get lifted by it and some people think the physical drain is too much," Tewksbury said. "It's a personal choice."

"The whole point of the Olympics is performance. That's the memory you want to take for the rest of your life and you've still got the closing (ceremony). The closing is there and it's really the athletes' ceremony. It's awful to walk in an opening and regret it because it impacted your performance."

The ceremony at Olympic



Canadian diver Jennifer Abel practises in London on Thursday. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Canadian diver Meaghan Benfeito waves during a training session on Thursday. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Canada's Milos Raonic practises at Wimbledon on Thursday. RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Swimmers practise at the Aquatics Centre at Olympic Park in London on Thursday. MARK J. TERRILL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Stadium, directed by Danny Boyle — the Oscar-winning director of *Slumdog Millionaire* — are scheduled to begin at 9 p.m. local time (2 p.m., CTV) and end at midnight. Most of the athletes will be able to walk back to their housing, which is adjacent to Olympic Park, but it still puts them back at the village as late as 12:30 a.m.

Triathlon athlete Simon Whitfield of Victoria will lead

Canada into the ceremony as the team's flag-bearer. They are expected to leave the village at 9 p.m. and enter Olympic Stadium at 10:15.

Canada's swim team won't march in the ceremony, meaning freestyler Brent Hayden will be three-for-three in giving the Olympic opening ceremony a pass.

"It's always kind of team policy that if you're competing within the first few days

you tend to skip just because you're not going to get to bed at a reasonable hour," Hayden said. "Standing up for hours on end, tiring your legs out is not necessarily the best thing to do before a competition. We all wish we could be there. We are all very patriotic and we would just love to be able to walk into the stadium with our country, waving our flags, but we're here to compete."

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Quoted



"It's one of those things. All my friends (ask)

'What is it like to walk in the opening ceremonies?' I don't know."

Freestyle swimmer Brent Hayden

Tennis. Finding advice in Great places

Canada's Milos Raonic knew exactly who to talk to for a little guidance ahead of his first Olympic experience.

The rising tennis star said he met up with Wayne Gretzky last winter in Los Angeles and chatted about the London Games while out for dinner.

"He told me that the competition is a big thing for sure, but he said the most special thing was meeting other athletes and just learning from them and hearing different stories," Raonic said Thursday.

Gretzky played for Canada at the 1998 Games in Nagano and served as the executive director of the men's hockey team at the next two Winter Olympics.

Raonic said he was in L.A. for training when he got connected with Gretzky through a friend of a friend. He said The Great One told him to make sure he savours the Olympic experience.

"I think he's won pretty much every single thing," Raonic said. "And the fact that the Olympics means that much I think shows how grand the event is."

Considering the strong singles field in London, it would be a big surprise if Raonic reached the podium. However, he has recorded some impressive wins this year and shown that he belongs on court with the game's top players. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Round 1

- Raonic will meet world No. 69 Tatsuma Ito of Japan in the first round. Play is slated to begin Saturday.
- The 21-year-old from Thornhill, Ont., has won two tournaments this season and is ranked No. 25.

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Boyle-ing over with anticipation

Officials want details of the \$42.7-million London Olympics opening ceremony to be a secret, but director Danny Boyle has already disclosed select details. Here are four to watch out for on Friday:

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People walk outside London Olympic Stadium following opening ceremony rehearsal on Thursday. JEFF MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES



Boyle's sweeping vision

The ceremony's mastermind, filmmaker Danny Boyle, has stressed that the three-hour show will take viewers on a sweeping journey through Britain's history, one that captures the nation's identity, values and heritage, as well as its present and future. In their own ways, each of the elements represents some aspect of Englishness — though some in quirkier ways than others.

Un-baah-lievable opening co-stars

Seventy sheep are set to star in the ceremony, alongside 12 horses, 10 chickens and three sheep dogs. Pastoral life has long been romanticized by British writers and at every patriotic event, Britons belt out the glories of "England's pleasant pastures" to William Blake's anthem Jerusalem.



Maypoles

Each of Great Britain's four nations — England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland — will be represented by a maypole topped with their national flowers. A pagan folk symbol, the maypole is still commonly erected in British villages during May Day celebrations (as well as elsewhere in Europe) to celebrate the return of warmer weather.

Bond-ing Britain with the world

Fast cars, many women, martinis shaken not stirred: The super spy 007 needs little introduction. First introduced by writer Ian Fleming in 1953, the fictional British secret agent is the protagonist in the longest-running film franchise in history. Bond's dress, cars and expensive tastes ooze British sophistication.



Relaxed Phelps enjoying his farewell tour

Swimming. American sees London Games as icing on the cake in a wildly successful career

Michael Phelps was strolling through the Olympic Village when he spotted three Russian female athletes — all of them taller than the six-foot-four-inch swimmer.

"Geez, I thought I was tall," he said with a chuckle.

Preparing for what he insists will be his final Olympics, Phelps appears to be having a lot more fun heading into the London Games than he did at



American swimmer Michael Phelps takes a photo during a press conference on Thursday in London. RYAN PIERSE/GETTY IMAGES

either Athens or Beijing, where he was under intense pressure to turn in the greatest performances in Olympic history.

"This is closure," Phelps said Thursday, sitting beside coach Bob Bowman in the largest conference room at the Main Press

Centre. "Now it's just a matter of how many toppings I want on my sundae."

Several hundred media packed the room, including Olympic speedskating star Apolo Anton Ohno, who's now working for NBC and got in a question about how Phelps keeps things simple with all the distractions.

Actually, he seems to be having a blast. After Phelps walked in the room, he pulled out his phone and snapped a picture of all the reporters and cameras staring back at him.

"In Beijing, we were trying to conquer everything," Phelps remembered. "We're a lot more relaxed. We're having fun."

Not that he's got a lot of time to chill in London. He's still swimming more events than anyone except teammate Missy Franklin: Four individual races, and all three relays. The only change from China is Phelps' giving up a chance to swim the 200-metre freestyle, feeling he would have a better chance at success with a slightly less strenuous program.

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Medal haul

- In 2008, Phelps became the first athlete to win eight golds at a single Games.
- His 16 medals — 14 golds — are two shy of record-holder Larisa Latynina, a former Soviet gymnast.

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Seattle	43	57	.430	16½

Thursday's results

Baltimore 6, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 10, Oakland 4
Cleveland 5, Detroit 3
Kansas City at Seattle

Wednesday's results

Chicago White Sox 8, Minnesota 2
L.A. Angels 11, Kansas City 6
N.Y. Yankees 5, Seattle 2
Detroit 5, Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 10, Baltimore 1
Oakland 16, Toronto 0
Texas 5, Boston 3

Friday's games

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Chicago White Sox (Sale 11-3) at Texas (Darvish 11-6), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Tomlin 5-7) at Minnesota (Diamond 8-4), 8:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 4-7) at L.A. Angels (Haren 7-8), 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Guthrie 0-1) at Seattle (Beavan 5-6), 10:10 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Detroit at Toronto, 1:07 p.m.
Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 4:10 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels, 9:05 p.m.

BLUE JAYS 10, ATHLETICS 4

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi	Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Crisp cf	3	0	1	0	RDavis rf	4	1	1	0
JGomes rf	3	0	0	0	RSims cf	4	1	1	0
Reddick dh	4	1	1	2	Lawrie 3b	3	3	2	0
Cespedes lf	4	1	1	0	Encrnc dh	4	2	2	3
Carter 1b	4	0	0	0	Snider lf	4	1	2	2
Inge 3b	4	1	1	2	YGomes 1b	3	0	1	0
KSuzuk c	3	0	1	0	KJhnsn 2b	4	2	2	2
S.Smith ph	1	0	0	0	Mathis c	4	0	2	1
Hicks ss	3	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	4	0	0	0
Moss ph	1	0	0	0					
JVWeeks 2b	2	1	0	0					
Totals	32	4	5	4	Totals	34	10	12	9
Oakland					100	210	000	4	
Toronto					000	302	14x	10	

E—Milone (1). LOB—Oakland 4, Toronto 2.
2B—Crisp (7), Snider (2), K.Johnson (11).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	59	39	.602	—
Atlanta	54	44	.551	5
New York	47	51	.480	12
Miami	45	53	.459	14
Philadelphia	45	54	.455	14½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	58	40	.592	—
Pittsburgh	56	42	.571	2
St. Louis	53	46	.535	5½
Milwaukee	44	54	.449	14
San Diego	40	57	.412	17½
Houston	34	66	.340	25

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	55	43	.561	—
Los Angeles	53	47	.530	3
Arizona	49	49	.500	6
Colorado	42	58	.420	14
Colorado	37	60	.381	17½

Thursday's results

St. Louis 7, L.A. Dodgers 4
Pittsburgh 5, Houston 3
Washington 8, Milwaukee 2
N.Y. Mets at Arizona

Wednesday's results

Washington 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Atlanta 7, Miami 1
Philadelphia 7, Milwaukee 6, 10 innings
San Diego 3, San Francisco 3
Cincinnati 5, Houston 3
St. Louis 3, L.A. Dodgers 2, 12 innings
Colorado 4, Arizona 2

Friday's games

All times Eastern

St. Louis (Lynn 12-4) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 4-5), 2:20 p.m.
San Diego (K.Wells 1-3) at Miami (Zambrano 5-8), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 11-4) at Atlanta (Sheets 2-0), 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Karstens 3-2) at Houston (Lyles 2-7), 8:05 p.m.
Washington (Detwiler 5-3) at Milwaukee (Fiers 3-4), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Arroyo 5-6) at Colorado (D.Pomeranz 1-5), 8:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Niese 7-4) at Arizona (Collmenter 2-2), 9:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Fife 0-0) at San Francisco (M.Cain 10-3), 10:15 p.m.
Saturday's Games
St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 1:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
San Diego at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 7:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Colorado, 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Arizona, 8:10 p.m.

Mathis (7), HR—Reddick (22), Inge (11), Encarnacion (27), K.Johnson (11). SF—Y.Gomes.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Milone L, 9-7	7	8	6	5	0	7
Doolittle	2-3	3	4	4	1	0
Scribner	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Toronto						
Laffey	5-2-3	5	4	4	3	4
Lyon W, 1-0	11-3	0	0	0	0	3
Oliver H, 12	1	0	0	0	0	1
Janssen	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP—Milone.

Umpires—Home, Vic Carapazza; First, Larry Vanover; Second, Dan Bellino; Third, Jerry Layne.

T—2:38. A—39,003 (49,260).

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
New York	21	11	5	5	37	29	38
Kansas City	21	11	6	4	26	19	37
Houston	21	9	5	7	31	25	34
D.C.	20	10	7	3	34	27	33
Chicago	20	9	7	4	22	22	31
Columbus	18	7	7	4	18	19	25
Montreal	23	7	13	3	30	42	24
New England	20	6	9	5	25	25	23
Philadelphia	18	6	10	2	20	21	20
Toronto	20	5	11	4	24	36	19

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
San Jose	22	13	5	4	44	27	43
Real Salt Lake	22	12	7	3	33	26	39
Vancouver	22	9	6	7	25	26	34
Seattle	20	8	5	7	25	21	31
Los Angeles	22	9	10	3	38	35	30
Chivas USA	19	6	8	5	13	21	23
Colorado	21	7	13	1	27	30	22
Dallas	22	5	10	7	25	30	22
Portland	20	5	11	4	19	35	19

Wednesday's result

At Chester, Pa.

MLS All-Stars 3 Chelsea 2

Friday's game

All times Eastern

Vancouver at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

Saturday's games

Houston at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.
New York at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Columbus at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Portland, 11 p.m.
Sunday's game
New England at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

OLYMPICS

WOMEN

Wednesday's results

At Cardiff, Wales

Britain 1 New Zealand 0
Brazil 5 Cameroon 0

At Coventry, England

Japan 2 Canada 1

Sweden 4 South Africa 1

At Glasgow

U.S. 4 France 2

North Korea 2 Colombia 0

MEN

Thursday's games

All times Eastern

At Glasgow

Honduras 2, Morocco 2

Japan 1, Spain 0

At Newcastle

Mexico 0, South Korea 0

Gabon 1, Switzerland 1

At Manchester

Uruguay 2, United Arab Emirates 1

Britain 1, Senegal 1

At Coventry

Belarus 1, New Zealand 0

At Cardiff

Brazil 3, Egypt 2

TENNIS

ATP

BET-AT-HOME CUP

At Kitzbuehel, Austria

Singles

Second Round

Philipp Kohlschreiber (1), Germany, def. Attilla Balazs, Hungary, 6-4, 6-1.
Rogerio Dutra Silva, Brazil, def. Ernests Gulbis (7), Latvia, 6-4, 6-4.
Filippo Volandri, Italy, def. Albert Ramos (4), Spain, 6-4, 6-4.
Robin Haase (3), Netherlands, def. Philipp Oswald, Austria, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.
Wayne Odesnik, United States, def. Jurgen Zopp, Estonia, 5-7, 7-5, 6-3.

Quarter-finals

Filippo Volandri, Italy, def. Rogerio Dutra Silva, Brazil, 6-4, 6-4.
Philipp Kohlschreiber (1), Germany, def. Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.
Robin Haase (3), Netherlands, def. Wayne Odesnik, United States, 6-2, 6-4.
Martin Klizan (5), Slovakia, def. Simone Bolelli, Italy, 1-6, 7-5, 6-1.

FARMERS CLASSIC

At Los Angeles

Thursday's results

Singles

Second Round

Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, def. Igor Andreev, Russia, 6-4, 7-5.
Marinko Matosevic (6), Australia, def. Tobias Kamke, Germany, 6-3, 1-6, 6-0.
Xavier Malisse (5), Belgium, def. Matthew Ebden, Australia, 6-4, 6-3.
Doubles
Quarter-finals
Raven Klaasen, South Africa, and Adil Shamsdin, Canada, def. Flavio Cipolla, Italy, and Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, 6-4, 6-2.

WTA

BAKU CUP

At Baku, Azerbaijan

Thursday's results

Singles

Quarter-finals

Julia Cohen, United States, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Bojana Jovanovski (5), Serbia, def. Aleksandra Krunick, Serbia, 5-7, 7-6 (3), 6-3.
Olga Puchkova, Russia, def. Mandy Minella (3), Luxembourg, 2-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Alexandra Panova (2), Russia, def. Nina Bratchikova (6), Russia, 2-6, 7-6 (5), 6-4.

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Hamilton	4	2	2	0	127	133	4
Toronto	4	2	2	0	106	113	4
Montreal	4	2	2	0	108	139	4
Winnipeg	5	1	4	0	101	163	2

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Saskatchewan	4	3	1	0	121	78	6
Edmonton	5	3	2	0	101	79	6
Calgary	4	2	2	0	147	120	4
B.C.	4	2	2	0	106	102	4

WEEK FIVE

Thursday's result

Winnipeg 23 Edmonton 22

Friday's game

All times Eastern

Toronto at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

Hamilton at Saskatchewan, 6 p.m.

B.C. at Calgary, 9 p.m.

GOLF

CANADIAN OPEN

At Ancaster, Ontario

Par 70

First Round

a-denotes amateur

Scott Piercy

Greg Owen

William McGirt

Robert Garrigus

Troy Matteson

Bo Van Pelt

Jhonattan Vegas

Stuart Appleby

Charl Schwartzel

Gavin Coles

Vijay Singh

Bill Lunde

Roland Thatcher

Adam Hadwin

John Huh

J.J. Henry

Josh Teater

Cameron Tringale

Ryo Ishikawa

Daniel Summerhays

Heath Slocum

Matt Kuchar

Erik Compton

David Hearn

D.J. Trahan

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Kevin Streelman

Spencer Levin

Michael Thompson

Patrick Sheehan

Cheer Reavie

Retief Goosen

Jimmy Walker

Brad Fritsch

Miguel Angel Carballo

Russell Knox

Tommy Gainey

Blake Adams

Kevin Chappell

John Daly

John Mallingier

Brian Davis

Harrison Frazar

Arijan Atvali

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Forget about your people skills today and do what feels right to you personally. The more you make an effort to be nice to certain individuals, the more likely it is they will take it as a sign of weakness.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Whatever has caused you to subdue your feelings and become a bit emotionally distant in recent days, you are advised not to take it too seriously. The Earth turns and everything will look different, and better, tomorrow.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Adopt a no-nonsense nature today, especially when dealing with people whose negative attitudes can drive you to despair. The more they try to convince you that something terrible is happening, the more you should laugh at them.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

There is no point getting caught in a battle of wills with someone in a position of power. They will win and you will lose, it's that simple. Let them call the shots.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Cosmic activity in your own sign encourages you to believe that you can do anything. But you will accomplish more in the long-term if you focus on one particular talent.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You know it pays to be honest but because you are uncertain how some people might react if you tell them the truth, you are reluctant to open your mouth. That's a mistake. They need your input, so speak up.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Why are you so reluctant to take the advice of a friend? Most likely it's because you don't want to admit that you made the wrong choice. But what's the big deal? You're human like everyone else.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You may need to force yourself to be enthusiastic about what you are expected to do, but it's an effort worth making. The better the job you do, the more likely it is you will be offered something more interesting later on.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may need to force yourself to be enthusiastic about what you are expected to do, but it's an effort worth making. The better the job you do, the more likely it is you will be offered something more interesting later on.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Your confidence may not be up to its usual levels at the moment but it's not the end of the world. If you encounter the kind of opposition that makes you feel uncomfortable, just back off a bit. You've got plenty of time.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Admit it: You have bitten off more than you can chew and now you are looking around for a way out. Well, that's too bad because there isn't one. Do the best you can and live with the consequences.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You will let someone know that you don't want to argue but they are hell bent on having it out with you. In which case you might as well tell them what you really think. **SALLY BROMPTON**

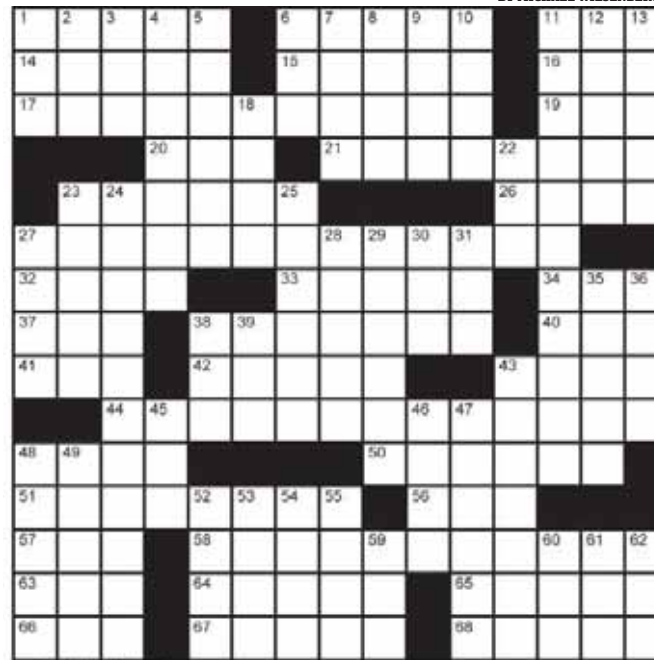
Crossword: Sports

Across

1. Give a quick welcome
6. Ascend
11. Cable chan. for old films
14. Condescending type
15. Export from Côte d'Ivoire
16. A Gershwin
17. Regina CFL team
19. US Republicans
20. US amateur sports gp.
21. *Le Rouge et le Noir* author
23. Bola hurler
26. Sermon's end?
27. Alberta hockey team
32. Man or Capri
33. Agitate a liquid
34. Monitor, for short
37. Able, jocularly
38. Where to find Kingston
40. Fish eggs
41. Ring around the Islands
42. "You ___ one"
43. Word on a greasy spoon's marquee
44. Former MLB team from Québec
48. ___ Jet
50. More flexible
51. Airy
56. Memo letters
57. Hawaiian tuna
58. Winnipeg team
63. Bewilderment
64. "This ___ a laughing matter"
65. ___ Boingo: Danny Elfman's former group
66. "Pipe down!"
67. "Ready, ___!"
68. Modern treaty violation

Down

1. Map abbr. before 1991
2. Part of a University of Ottawa cheerleader's request
3. Not me
4. The most popular scale of model railway in the world
5. *Odyssey* setting
6. MV/V
7. Early Beatles, affectionately
8. Rapper who acts on *Law & Order: S.V.U.*
9. Arabian mother
10. Cap'n's mate
11. Fix
12. Native of Zagreb
13. With 48-Down, Toronto team
18. German industrial center
22. Darin's love
23. Canada's ___ Bay
24. Mercury record
25. Blue ___ Cult
27. French sky
28. Scathing online criticism
29. "Because I'm worth it" brand
30. Faulkner's ___ *Lay Dying*
31. Electrical unit that forms another unit upon reversal
35. Wind turbine part
36. Dick Tracy's Truehart
38. Ball or bass following
39. Alta. neighbor
43. Art show
45. It comes out of the ground
46. Accounting acronym
47. Earlier form of a word
48. See 13-Down
49. Set of cultural values
52. Pitcher stats
53. On the other hand
54. Dorothy's Em
55. Carroll of old TV's *Topper*
59. "Takin' Care of Business" band
60. Québec-to-Montréal dir.
61. Abbreviated linemen
62. Drunkard



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Yesterday's crossword



What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



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MIN: 13°

SATURDAY



MAX: 26°
MIN: 14°

SUNDAY



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MIN: 16°



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